

REMARKS

The amendments made above to the allowed application are for the purpose of ensuring correspondence between the specification and the formal figures submitted with the payment of the issue fee. A number of the formal figures contain more pages than did the originally filed informal, and thus require alphabetical designations not originally necessary.

In addition, in Figures 11, 13, 45, 47, 49, 55, 57, 59, 61, 65, 67, 69, 71, 77, 79, 87 and 89, the numbers appearing at the end of the amino acid sequences shown, intended to be the total number of amino acid residues, have been corrected in these formal figures according to the number of amino acid residues appearing in the figure.

No new matter has been added by the changes contained in this amendment, and entry is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (978) 341-0036

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